

GALE BLOWS RESCUE TO SINKING SCHOONER

Drives Freighter Fifteen Miles From Course to Sight Derelict.

AMERICAN FLAG HELPS

Hoisted After Storm Had Ripped Away British Ensign and Sails.

SPIED BY RESCUE SHIP

The Menominee Saves Captain and Crew and Schooner Goes Down in Flames.

Capt. Edward Owen Fudge of the three masted knockabout schooner Gordon C. Fudge, ploughing of tempests many days, radioless and quite as isolated as if she were sailing the Atlantic in the primitive era of the old Yankee clippers, gave thanks yesterday for the storm that drove an Atlantic Transport freighter fifteen miles out of her course and thus saved him and his crew of five hardy young Newfoundlanders from death in boiling seas. The skipper believes he may be classed with the concentrated crew of the famous Nancy orig as master, owner, agent and navigator of the Fudge.

Also Capt. Fudge is proud of the part a big American flag played in the rescue by the Menominee. His schooner flew the British merchant ensign, but she was originally a Yankee ship, having been launched in Essex, Mass., as the Marpe in the year the United States entered the world war, and was therefore a true nautical war baby.

American War Baby.

When Capt. Fudge bought her he also got her ensign. At the culmination of tempests that tore her own flag to shreds the skipper thought of the American flag in the locker, and that was washed, unclean, down to the mizen topmast. That is why Capt. Ernest Finch and the officers of the Menominee first supposed that they were about to have a hands across the sea jubilation by saving a Yankee crew.

After she had taken off all hands and found that they were of the far flung British Empire's sea roving stock the Menominee used her radio to give the world ashore a paragraph account of the rescue. After rescuers and rescued arrived here yesterday afternoon they spun the real yarn. The unfinished voyage of the Gordon C. Fudge began on September 17, when she sailed from Grady, on the Labrador coast, with salt fish for Gibraltar for orders that took her to Valencia. She ran into bad weather, carrying away bulwarks, and was forced to jettison 250 quintals of fish. She was patched up at Valencia and went to Tera Vaja, where she took aboard 250 tons of salt.

On the homeward trip after passing the Azores the Fudge had nothing but weather. Sails were blown from both ropes or torn to ribbons by the fierce gales. The skipper ever encountered in his rough weather career. The climax of the turbulence came on December 20, when the schooner was about 1,000 miles east of Sandy Hook. Storms had opened and all hands were weary from constant work at the pumps and dodging graybacks that roared aboard, smashing and carrying away the two boats, and thus all hope of abandoning the ships without help.

American Flag Sighted.

Finally the rudder went and the little ship drifted into the trough of the sea. They hoisted the British ensign up the mainmast, and it was whipped to tatters in the blast. Then on the morning of December 21, when the Stars and Stripes was lashed to the mizenmast and the Menominee's second officer, Harold Foster, on the bridge, spied the Yankee bunting before he got the full outlines of the schooner, which had lost all canvas except a shred of mainsail and a mere handkerchief of a foresail. Every other stitch of muslin had been carried away.

It happened that at this particular time, 2:20 in the afternoon, there was a lull between cyclones, and it was possible to launch a boat without seriously imperiling the crew. Fourth Officer William S. Mackie and four men in the hard pull over the long swells. Before this Capt. Finch had asked the Newfoundland skipper what he could do for him and Capt. Fudge answered that the Fudge was sinking and all hands wanted to be taken off.

Although there had been little sleep aboard the battered wreck for many days, everybody was unusually cheerful, particularly Pat Hickey, able seaman, who shouted to Mackie as the lifeboat came alongside. "I've got a cheroot; have you got a match?" Mackie grinned at the optimistic Hickey and tossed him a match. He lit up and a moment later, puffing contentedly, was helping to pull the lifeboat by her painter closer to the wreck.

Schooner Set on Fire.

In half an hour the rescued skipper and his men were aboard the Menominee. Before leaving the schooner her skipper set fire to her and when he looked back with many of the men of the Menominee, he saw the Stars and Stripes shining through the smoke and remarked that it was her privilege to go down flying the flag under which she slid down the ways five years ago.

The next day another mighty blow lapped the sea, and Capt. Fudge reflected yesterday that this would have meant his doom if the Menominee had not drifted down his way. "We had luck," he added, "getting away when we did, for, although all hands at the pumps had managed to keep the water in the hold from swamping her, when we left she filled rapidly and we never would have kept afloat another night."

The skipper and his men will be sent back to Newfoundland by the Red Cross liner Sylvia, sailing to-day.

POLICE PASSES REVOKED.

Abuse of the police card privilege has led Commissioner Enright to abrogate all personal cards entitling the bearer to pass police lines. For 1923 such passes will be issued to newspaper workers and to officials, Federal, State and city.

REFUSES YOUNG DR. LORENZ LICENSE TO WED BARONESS

Clerk in Municipal Building Says Certificate Presented by Son of Famous Surgeon Fails to Show That Lady of Choice Has Divorce.

Dr. Albert Lorenz, 35 years old, a son and assistant of Dr. Adolph Lorenz, famous Austrian practitioner of blood-letting surgery, was denied a marriage license yesterday when he applied with his fiancée at the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building.

Dr. Lorenz's prospective bride is Mme. Anton Casper Reismann, born Baroness Slavovitch, in Austria. According to a clerk in the Marriage License Bureau she has been separated but not divorced from her husband. The certificate she showed, the clerk said, is an Austrian "bed and board separation" paper, not a legal divorce.

When informed that a license could not be issued the couple tore up their

applications and went to see the Austrian Consul-General. He could not help them.

The former Baroness, known as Mme. Rolanda Reismann, met Dr. Lorenz in Vienna several years ago after she had left her first husband. They became engaged and she came to this country to meet Dr. Lorenz, who is staying at the Murray Hill Hotel with his father, Mme. Reismann's address was not learned.

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FINES 200 C. SANE FORCED TO ASYLUMS

Coler Asks Law to Give 'Murderer's Chance' in Nerve Cases.

POINTS TO INHUMANITY

Cites Ten Day Limit to Decide on Mentality of Patients.

URGES NEW HOSPITALS

Head of Bellevue Psychopathic Ward Supports Him in Demand.

From 20 to 30 per cent. of the persons sent to insane asylums from Bellevue's psychopathic ward are not insane, according to Bird S. Coler, Commissioner of Public Welfare.

In a statement issued yesterday urging new hospital buildings Mr. Coler said he considered it inhuman to try to determine in ten days whether a person is insane or not. Ten days is the period fixed by law.

Mr. Coler said he and Dr. Menas S. Gregory, head of the psychopathic ward, have consulted Supreme Court Justice Dowling about framing an amendment "to give a person threatened or charged with insanity as much chance for his life as the ordinary thief or murderer."

The Commissioner believes that with proper facilities the city might save 2,000 feeble minded children from institutions and as many more nervous persons from insane asylums in three or four years.

Disagrees With Copeland.

The Commissioner's statement was given out after a conference with Mayor Hylan and was a reply to a charge that the administration building in Bellevue, where 300 to 400 patients are lodged, is a fire trap. Mr. Coler said:

"The conditions either at Bellevue Hospital psychopathic ward or at Kings County Hospital are nothing new. They have only been getting more complicated, since under the law we are compelled to put insane, alcoholics and drug addicts in the same buildings. The Board of Trustees at Bellevue Hospital, until recently have believed that the completion of wards F and G was more important than the improvement of the psychopathic ward. About a month ago I succeeded in passing through the Bellevue board a request for money for a new psychopathic hospital of 500 beds. The law, however, governing the commitment of insane is worse than the physical accommodations. It is inhuman, in my mind, to be compelled to determine within ten days whether a person is insane or not."

"There should be a change in the law allowing patients to be held such a period of time as the doctors may think necessary. From my own study of this matter, and it has been very intense, I believe from 20 per cent. to 30 per cent. of the people now sent to insane asylums need not go. To show you how far Dr. Gregory and myself have gone into this subject, we have held conferences with Supreme Court judges."

Might Save 2,000 Children.

"A few weeks ago in conference with Mr. Justice Dowling of the Appellate Division it was suggested that, as chairman, call together Justices David Finch, Wagner and McGoldrick, and not go over with us what is being done now, but to arrange for such legislation as to give a person threatened or charged with insanity as much chance for his life as the ordinary thief or murderer, which is not the case at present."

"I am firmly convinced that a proper psychopathic hospital inside of three or four years will save 2,000 children from going to feeble minded institutions and as many and more than that number of nervous people from being sent to insane asylums. The proper handling of this subject, to my mind, is one of the most important matters now before the city of New York."

JERSEY CITY PREACHERS FIGHT SUNDAY MOVIES

Chief Tells Them Exception Was Made for Christmas.

Four clergymen of Jersey City called upon Chief of Police Batterbury yesterday and protested that stores had made deliveries last Sunday and that motion picture shows were allowed to be given Sunday evening.

"I would not be unduly alarmed if I were you," Chief Batterbury told them. "If you will consult your conscience you will find that Christmas comes on Monday only once in eight years. On ordinary Sundays all the laws will be enforced as usual."

The protesting clergymen were the Rev. Cornelius Cain of the Stinson Methodist Episcopal Church; the Rev. Arthur Lucas, Browne Methodist Episcopal Church; the Rev. Frank S. Ritter, Waverly Congregational Church, and the Rev. James Parker, Second United Presbyterian Church. Dr. Parker is also superintendent of the State Society for the Prevention of Crime.

WALLIS MAY BE NEW HEAD OF CORRECTIONS

Stated to Succeed Hamilton, Is Report.

Frederick A. Wallis, former Commissioner of Immigration at Ellis Island, will succeed James A. Hamilton as Commissioner of Corrections, according to a report from City Hall yesterday. Mr. Hamilton was elected Secretary of State of New York at the last election.

Mr. Wallis served as Fourth Deputy Police Commissioner during part of Mayor Hylan's first term and resigned to become Immigration Commissioner, which post he held until the election of President Harding. He has since been finance chairman of the New York State Democratic Committee.

An office of Commissioner of Corrections pays \$10,000 a year, the salary having been increased from \$7,500 recently by the Board of Aldermen.

SLAYER FOUND INSANE.

Arthur Klein, who killed George W. Lent, formerly the armorer for the Forty-seventh Regiment in Brooklyn, was adjudged insane by County Judge McLaughlin in Brooklyn yesterday. He will be committed to Matteawan. On November 25 Klein stabbed Lent with a bayonet.

850 Million Rubles for Good Winter Coat

J. FREDERICKSON, Y. M. C. A. worker, returned yesterday from Russia, gives these samples of the high cost of living in the land of the Soviets: "Winter coat with astrakhan collar from 379,000,000 to 850,000,000 rubles, according to quality; fall overcoats, 260,000,000 to 770,000,000 rubles; suits from 300,000,000 to 800,000,000 rubles; one pair trousers, 117,000,000 rubles; one suit of underwear, 70,000,000 rubles; one pair of socks, 25,000,000 rubles; felt hat, 22,000,000 rubles; fur cap or hat from 40,000,000 rubles up; one collar, 3,000,000 rubles; handkerchiefs, 25,000,000 rubles a dozen; boots from 100,000,000 rubles up."

MOTT SCENTS TRAIL IN HALL-MILLS CASE

Law Partner Denies Reports That Special Prosecutor Has Quit Work.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 26.—Wilbur A. Mott, special deputy attorney-general in charge of the investigation of the Hall-Mills murder, has not abandoned his work, is going ahead on the strength of new evidence submitted to him by his workers, and is awaiting certain corroborating information before taking action. This information was given out to-day by Mr. Mott's partner, David Bernheim, at the offices of the law firm of Mott & Bernheim in Newark.

Detectives Ferd David of Middlesex and George Totten of Somerset spent most of the day together in conference here. They think they have promising material but could not say when they would be ready to present their information to the Somerset Grand Jury, which will meet again a week from tomorrow. The only matter before that body now is the murder case, the regular routine work having been disposed of before the jury took an adjournment last week.

"Mr. Mott still is working on the case despite the reports that he has done nothing for several weeks," Mr. Bernheim said. "I do not know where he is just now, but I know that men working under